GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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GAS DISTRIBUTION NETWORK
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL) has launched Gas distribution network in some States;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the GAIL proposes to expand its gas distribution network; and

(d) if so, the details of the proposals under the consideration of the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS(SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (d): GAIL (India) Limited has formed eight Joint Venture companies, namely, Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL), Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL), Bhagyanagar Gas Limited (BGL), Central UP Gas Limited (CUGL), Tripura Natural Gas Company Limited (TNGCL), Green Gas Limited, Maharashtra Natural Gas Limited (MNGL) and Assam Gas Company Limited (AGCL), which are supplying Compress Natural Gas (CNG) to transport sector and Pipeline Natural Gas (PNG) to domestic, commercial & industrial sectors. The Joint Venture Companies (JVC) are supplying CNG to the transport sector in various cities like Delhi, Mumbai & Pune in Maharashtra, Kanpur, Lucknow, Agra & Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh, Hyderabad & Vijaywada in Andhra Pradesh, Agartala in Tripura and Indore in Madhya Pradesh. Apart from this, PNG is being supplied to domestic as well as industrial consumers in the cities of Delhi, Mumbai, Agartala, etc. These JVCs are planning to augment the City Gas Distribution (CGD) projects in various cities. Further, to take up CGD business in a focused manner and to give a boost to CNG and PNG supply, GAIL (India) Limited has formed its wholly owned subsidiry, namely, GAIL Gas Limited. GAIL Gas Limited has already submitted the Expression of Interest (EOI) to Petroleum & NaturalGas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) in June 2008 for developing CGD network in 7 cities.